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Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated April 10, 2009, Applicant elects Species D, Fig. 4, without traverse. Applicant submits that claims 13, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30 and 33 read on the elected species and that all claims 13, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30 and 33 are generic to all species.

A prompt and favorable examination on the merits are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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